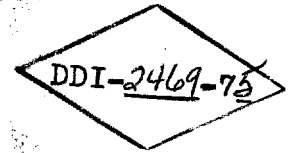


THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON



September 19, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR

THE SECRETARY OF STATE
THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
THE DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
THE DIRECTOR, CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
PHILIP W. BUCHEN
JOHN O. MARSH, JR.
The Attorney General

As a result of our meeting on intelligence matters, I have decided to designate a group specifically responsible for coordinating our response to matters dealing with the intelligence community. This group will be chaired by Jack Marsh. Each of the addressees of this memorandum shall serve as a member of the group.

I expect the group to function over the next several weeks and possibly months in a manner similar to the Energy Resources Council and Economic Policy Board, that is:

1. The group should meet daily to review problems, discuss strategy, agree on assignments and prepare issues for my decision.
2. The group will meet with me regularly, as often as twice a week, in order for me to decide issues and review progress.
3. I expect the group to produce by the middle of next week a time table of its actions over the next month including:

Due dates for decision papers;
Development of a comprehensive plan for dealing
with Congress and the press; and
Identification of individuals charged with specific
responsibilities.